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## SEVIER'S NEW TABERNACLE.

Imposing Edifice at Richfield Will Be Dedicated Today—  
Building Cost \$50,000 and Was Destroyed By Fire  
When Partially Completed—Conference in Session.

(Special Correspondence.)  
Richfield, July 15.—Owing to the non-arrival of President Snow yesterday afternoon the dedication of the tabernacle, set for today, has been postponed until tomorrow. President Snow and Counselors George Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith are expected this evening. Among those who have already arrived are Apostles F. M. Lyman, Rudger Clawson and Anthony Lund, President Canute Peterson of Sanpete stake,

a new building. A new site was selected and June 1, 1888, the corner-stone of the present structure was laid and the work continued unbroken until the foundation was completed. Then, on account of the heavy contributions to complete the Manti temple, work ceased for a while. Later it was resumed, and the walls nearly finished, when work was again stopped on account of the assessments to complete the Salt Lake temple.

In this unfinished condition the building remained for several years, when, a little over a year ago, a final effort was undertaken to complete the building. The work progressed nicely and the structure was approaching a finishing condition, when, on the night of Oct. 14, 1888, fire swept the woodwork clean and left only the blackened walls as a monument to the years of patient energy, liberal offerings and many sacrifices on the part of the people who were striving to secure a realization of their dearest hope.

While the catastrophe was disheart-

ing, it is situated at the northwest corner of Main and Center streets, and faces the east.  
The building is 160 feet long by eighty feet wide, with side squares running up to gables making a width at this part of ninety feet. Two small towers on each front corner run up to seventy-five feet, while the center tower of the building is 100 feet high. The style of architecture is semi-gothic. The finishing is in plaster, plaster of paris and woodwork with painting and graining in imitation of oak. Over the main entrance is a heavy piece of cornice in imitation of Corinthian gable and columns. Above this in raised letters prominently are the words:

Sevier Stake  
Tabernacle.

The interior of the tabernacle is divided into three sections—the entrance, the auditorium and the vestry. The entrance includes the front towers, with doors leading into the auditorium and spiral stairways winding up to the balcony.

The auditorium includes the main portion of the building, and is 120x45 feet, and about fifty feet to the top of its arched ceiling. Over the floor entrance is a square balcony extending forty feet into the room. At the rear are the five tiers of elevated seats for the choir and organ enclosed in a semi-circle. In front of and below these are the speakers' stand and elevated platform for the priesthood and quorum officials, while below this again is the platform for those whose duty it is to administer the sacrament. The floor has a pitch of two and a half feet, and is supplied with heavy oak seats. The balcony and choir gallery are supplied with filling seats. The seating capacity is estimated at about 4,000.

At the rear of the building are the two-story vestry rooms, with the room in the basement. The building is supplied with a direct and indirect steam heating plant, is well lighted and ventilated, and has a system of wires and globes, electric current. The accommodations are most conveniently arranged.

The building as it now stands represents an outlay of nearly \$50,000, exclusive of the original structure, upon which was expended in labor and material. A portion of the old building still stands, which is used for a vestry room and other purposes, but will be immediately torn down.

It. C. Watkins of Provo designed the plan for the completed building, and it was finished under the contract of J. H. Bowman.

The grounds have all been cleaned and leveled, giving the surroundings a pleasing appearance.

## RETURN OF MISS WEBBER.

Salt Lake Girl Who Has Been Studying Music Abroad.

Miss Margie Webber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Webber, returned to this city yesterday morning from Berlin, after an absence of over two years. Salt Lake's musical coterie will remember that Miss Webber early showed herself to be the possessor of a remarkably sweet soprano voice and it was with the purpose of having this talent cultivated that the young lady went abroad. During her sojourn in Germany she has been under the care of Madame Gerster, the celebrated German voice builder, and judging from the flattering comments which have appeared from time to time in the Berlin papers, there is every reason for believing that Miss Webber's two years of study abroad have been of exceeding profit.

For several years previous to her departure Miss Webber devoted her time to the study of vocal music, and it was Madame Nordica herself who said that with a more robust constitution to build upon Miss Webber would certainly prove to be a singer of no mean caliber. This she has acquired during her stay abroad.

The aspiration of this promising Salt Lake vocalist is nothing less than grand opera, and all her raising has been of such a nature as to finally fit her for the operatic stage. The young lady will remain in this city for only six weeks, she having merely come home for a visit with friends and relatives, and for recuperation. Madame Gerster was almost imperative in her request that Miss Webber remain in Germany until she should have finished her studies, but her longing for home and friends was too great to be any longer unsatisfied.

Upon her return to Germany she will immediately resume her studies under one of the foremost teachers.

Whether Salt Lake will enjoy the privilege of hearing Miss Webber sing is undecided. Being greatly fatigued with traveling she will be obliged to rest for at least a couple of weeks. It is to be hoped, however, that a public appearance will be one of the treats of the near future.

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## GOOD JULY BUSINESS.

Midsummer Records Broken In  
Some Lines of Trade.

## LOCAL STOCKS STRONG.

SALT LAKE CAPITAL FOR LOCAL  
SECURITIES.

Real Estate Market Quiet During the  
Week—Architects Are Kept Busy  
—Encouraging Reports On Crops  
—Mr. Foulks Buys Handsome  
Residence Site On First Street.

Local business during the past week felt the enervating influence of hot weather. The midsummer dullness was noticeable everywhere. But as this was expected, its influence was discounted. While this is true in general, there are instances in which the July business up to date is breaking all previous records for July, and running ahead of the June business, which is very unusual.

The best of all gauges for general business is the demand for steel and iron, as they are at the base of all construction and repair work. The demand for these commodities is undiminished.

The bank clearings yesterday were \$346,945.73, as compared with \$254,784.73 for the corresponding day last year. The clearings for the week were \$2,709,828.09, as compared with \$1,728,929.75 for the corresponding week of last year, a gain of 57 per cent.

The feature of the week in the

money market was the still rapidly increasing deposits, and the glut of money at all banks.

The demand for good local stocks continues strong, but outside of Salt Lake City Railway, the transactions were light. The following quotations are given:

Deseret National	220.00
Z. C. M. I.	125.50
Home Fire	97.00
State Bank	118.00
Lehi Sugar, old	112.55
Lehi Sugar, new	112.50
Co-op Wagon	115.00
Utah Commercial & Saving	95.00
Ogden Sugar	124.00
Ogden First National bank	173.00
Lehi Commercial bank	100.00
Deseret Savings bank	101.00
Salt Lake City R. R.	115.00

Most of the stocks being sold are from the east, the purchasers being invariably local parties.

## Real Estate Quiet.

The week in real estate has been a quiet one, no large transactions being recorded. All dealers report a stiffening in prices, and much inquiry which they are confident will lead to a good business in the fall.

All reports from the farms continue to be encouraging, except as to fruit. Grain of all kinds is doing well. In many places wheat has been harvested in fine condition, and while the yield is not so heavy as in some other years, the quality is superior.

## Architects Are Busy.

Architect Ware reports the following: A story and a half brick cottage on Sixth South and Sixth East for Henry Blank, the grocer, to cost \$1,500. A house being repaired for Mrs. Buckle, corner of Seventh East and Fourth South to cost \$200. A house to be repaired for George Reed, corner of First and J to cost \$1,200. Mr. Ware has also begun work on a two-story \$12,000 business block for A. E. Miller in Laraine.

Architect Kletting is rushed with work on the State University plans and the Salt Palace. Architect Neuhausen is crowding the work on the cathedral and Kearns St. Ann's orphanage. Ar-

chitect Hale is in the midst of plans for the Consolidated Implement company's four-story building for State street, together with plans for numerous dwellings. Architect Dallas is getting out the plans for the Co-operative Wagon company's big block and Architect Headlund, Dart, Hill and Ullman are equally busy while the prospects for future work are very bright.

## HANDSOME RESIDENCE SITE.

Mr. Foulks Buys Snell Property On First Street.

John R. Foulks yesterday purchased from Mrs. Jeanette Richards, Young Snell Easton, the ten rods square at 159 First street for \$10,000. With this lot Mr. Foulks secures a seven-foot right of way down to Brigham street, which adds to the value of his place. The property was bought for a residence site and Mr. Foulks announces that it is his intention to build a fine home, but nothing will be done this year. He has been offered \$11,000 for his purchase since taking the option on it a month since. The deal was on a cash basis. Mr. Foulks has made \$100,000 in mining in the past four years. He is infatuated with Salt Lake and has great confidence in its future.

## Building Permits.

Permits to build and to make improvements were issued last week as follows by Inspector Robinson:

Rowland Hall, Second and A streets, brick dormitory	5,000
Dania, Hance & Co., First West street, near North Temple, brick foundry building	4,000
Board of education, Sixth South, near Eighth West street, finishing second story Riverside school building	2,200
Mrs. J. M. Lowrey, corner Seventh and C streets, addition and repairs	1,800
Annie E. Wilson, corner Tenth East and Tenth South streets, brick cottage	975
Knight & Co., 31 South West Temple street, addition and repairs	700
Theodore Bruback, 35-51 Commercial street, repairs	200
Seven minor permits	1,425
Total	\$22,300



SEVIER'S NEW TABERNACLE.

President McCallister of the Manti temple, Bishop C. A. Madsen of Gunnison and others.

Quarterly conference is being held today, and an effort is being made to get up a free impromptu concert to be held in the tabernacle this evening. Part of the programme will be songs by various choirs and solos by Professor Daynes on the new tabernacle organ.

## Struggle Long-continued.

The settlement of Sevier county, from whose people have come the contributions and donations which have resulted in the handsome and costly edifice dedicated today, began in 1867, under the direction of Orson Hyde of Spring City, who was called by the church leaders for this purpose. The sites of Richfield, Monroe, Glenwood and Salina were first selected. The surrounding lands were put under cultivation, and soon little villages began to dot the sites selected.

Owing to the Indian depredations a little later, these settlements were

tical and political center of the stake, and Stake President Young recommended the building of a stake meeting house. This work was undertaken in 1874 under his direction. His death occurred the following year, but the work was continued under President Franklin Spencer, who was chosen as Mr. Young's successor.

After the walls were nearly up to the square, the ground upon which it was built was found to be treacherous, and was giving away under the foundation. President Spencer moved to Mexico in 1886 and A. K. Thurber was elected to succeed him. An effort was made to strengthen the building, but it proved fruitless and was abandoned.

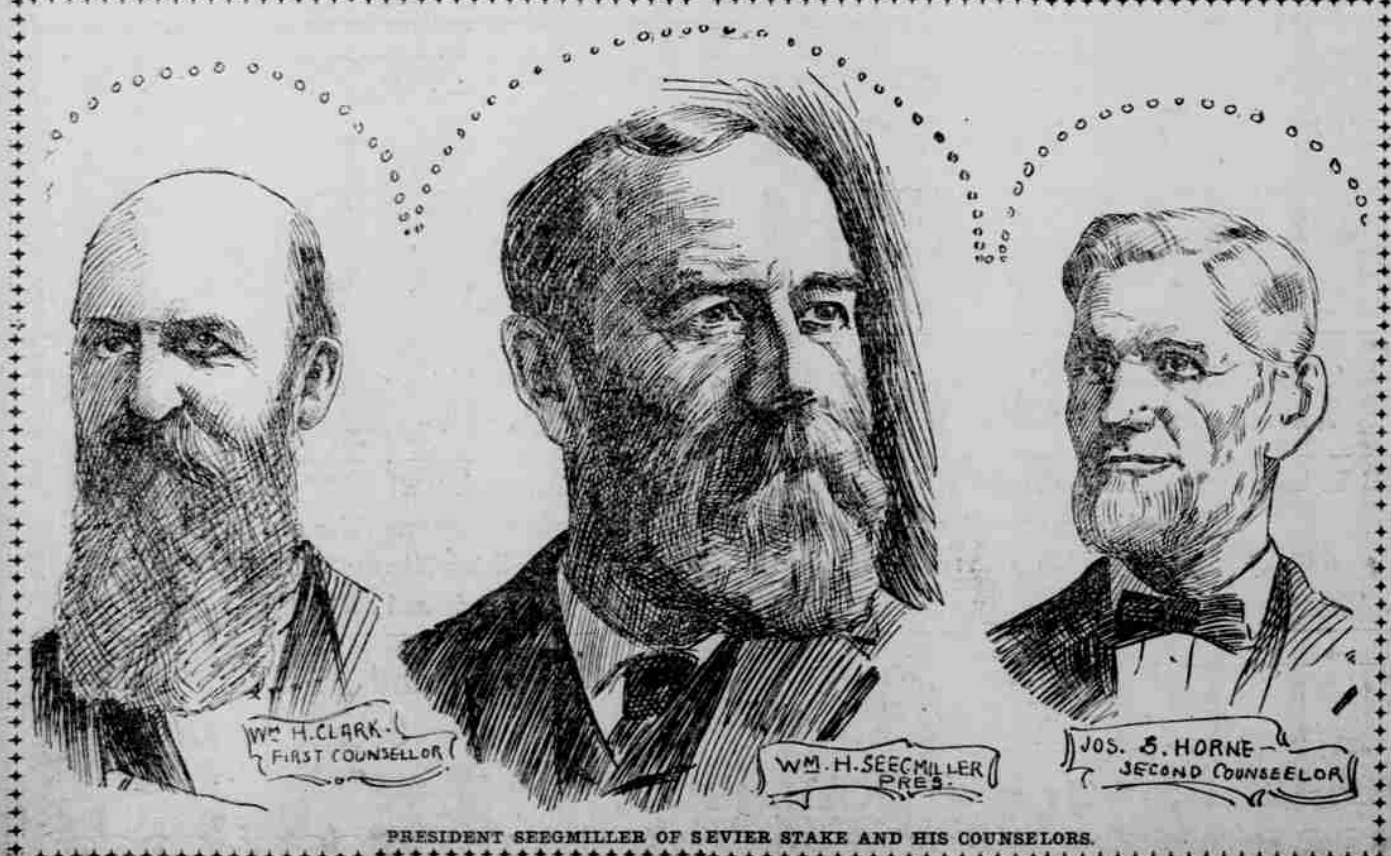
President Thurber died in March, 1888, and William H. Seegmiller was chosen president of the stake. About this time the boundaries of the stake were cut down to Redmond on the north and Joseph on the south, with the Colorado river on the east. As soon as President Seegmiller could approach the matter, it was decided to begin the erection of

ening in the extreme, the people rallied new energy and zeal and, notwithstanding it meant thousands of dollars more, immediately began the work of rebuilding, and in the short space of eight months were rewarded in beholding the beautiful and imposing structure which has no equal as a place of worship in southern Utah.

That the building is finished and dedicated at this time is due greatly to the unflinching efforts and spirit of President Seegmiller. He has devoted time and energy to secure the completion of the tabernacle, and no one enjoys the fruits of his labor more. He has been encouraged and ably seconded in this work by his counselors, Joseph S. Horne and William H. Clark.

## Description of Tabernacle.

The tabernacle, with its cream-colored stone walls, its squares and octagonal towers, its spire reaching to a dizzy height of 181 feet, its deep gothic windows and large doors, presents an appearance which readily attracts the



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